

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3783
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Maintenance of Public Toilets
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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government has taken any steps to ensure the maintenance and availability of water in the public toilets situated in urban areas;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOUSING AND URBAN AFFAIRS

(RAO INDERJIT SINGH)

(a) & (b): As per Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban) guidelines, all public toilets constructed under the Mission must have a minimum 5 years maintenance contract and also Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) should ensure that all Public Toilets constructed are built in tandem with water supply arrangements and consist of toilet sub-structure like on-site treatment system, or connection to underground sewerage/septage system to be functional. For monitoring the level of maintenance, Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs has devised a process of survey through Swachh Survekshan where mode of cities are tested. The mode of maintenance is judged as under:

Sl. No. Gradation of marks for this parameter Points

- i. Maintenance by third party/private contractor
23
- ii. Maintenance by municipal employees 11
- iii. No maintenance 0

(c) Does not arise.

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